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STATE OF MAINE 115TH LEGISLATURE

FIRST REGULAR SESSION AND FIRST SPECIAL SESSION

BILL SUMMARIES JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE ON FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE

AUGUST 1991

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JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE BILL SUMMARIES

AUGUST 1991

This document is a compilation of the bill summaries prepared by this office for the Joint Standing Committees and Joint Select Committees of the Maine Legislature. The volume is organized alphabetically by committee; within each committee, the summaries are arranged by LD number. A subject index is provided at the beginning of each committee's summaries.

All adopted amendments are listed, by paper number (e.g., H - 584 or S - 222), together with the sponsor for floor amendments. Final action on each bill is listed to the right of the title. Various types of final action are abbreviated as follows:

PUBLIC XXX Chapter # of enacted Public Law P&S XXX Chapter # of enacted Private & Special Law RESOLVE XXX Chapter # of enacted Resolve CON RES XXX Chapter # of Constitutional Resolution passed by both Houses **EMERGENCY** Enacted law takes effect sooner than 90 days CARRIED OVER Bill carried over to 2nd Session FAILED EMERGENCY ENACTMENT Bill failed to get 2/3 vote **ONTP** Ought Not to Pass report accepted **LVWD** Leave to Withdraw report accepted INDEF PP Bill Indefinitely Postponed **DIED BETWEEN BODIES** House & Senate disagree; bill died Legislature failed to override Governor's Veto **VETO SUSTAINED** Not signed by Governor within 10 days UNSIGNED DIED ON ADJOURNMENT Action incomplete when 1st session ended

These summaries were prepared by the analyst or analysts assigned to the committee. But, this document was produced by the efforts of all the office staff, including secretaries: Charlene Raymond and Valarie Parlin, and especially Laurette Knox who coordinated preparation of the overall document.

If you have any suggestions or comments on these summaries, please let us know.

LD 822

An Act to Issue Doe Permits to Physically Disabled Persons Upon Request from the Commissioner of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife

ONTP

SPONSOR(S)

COMMITTEE REPORT

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED

HEINO

ONTP CARROLL J

SUMMARY

This bill proposed to provide for the issuance of a free antlerless deer permit to any disabled person who possesses a valid general hunting license.

LD 868

An Act Regarding Deer Hunting

LV/MD

SPONSOR(S)

COMMITTEE REPORT

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED

BENNETT

LV/WD

GARLAND

SUMMARY

This bill proposed to allow a person who takes a deer during the special archery hunting season to take another deer during the regular deer hunting season. The bill provided that the possession of both deer so taken would not be a violation of the bag limit established under the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 12, section 7458, subsection 1.

LD 965

An Act to Require Hunters to Wear Fluorescent Orange in all **Hunting Seasons**

LV/WD

SPONSOR(S)

COMMITTEE REPORT

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED

CONLEY

LV/WD

SUMMARY

This bill proposed to require that hunters wear solid-colored orange clothing in all hunting seasons for any wildlife.

LD 1029

An Act to Ensure More Equitable Hunting Opportunities

PUBLIC 170

SPONSOR(S)

COMMITTEE REPORT

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED

FARREN

OTP-AM

H-172

CARROLL J

SUMMARY

This bill allows the Commissioner of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife by rule to extend the deer hunting season to the first Saturday in December in any year in which November 30th falls on a Wednesday, Thursday or Friday. The committee amendment (H-172) requires that in any year in which the commissioner by rule extends the season into December, the commissioner must also adopt split seasons for northern and southern zones of the State. In those years, the season must be opened in the northern zone one week earlier than it is opened in the southern zone.